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FRENCH POLITICAL CRISIS.

A DEAD SET AGAINST MILLERAND.

'EX-PREMIER PAINLEVE A CANDIDATE.

HERIOT TO SUCCEED POINCARE?

(Reuter's General Service.)

PARIS, June 1.
The dead set against President Millerand by the Left parties is considerably aggravating the political crisis. The formation of a new cabinet is most difficult as several sections oppose collaboration with the President in the slightest degree. The radical and Radical-Socialist Federation yesterday demanded Millerand's immediate resignation, while to-day the Radical-Socialist deputies in whose eyes their leader, M. Herriot, is the prospective premier, unanimously passed a resolution in the Chamber that they were unable to accord Millerand confidence because "he exceeded the constitutional role." Only the intervention of Herriot, who explained that he desired to retain freedom of action if he was summoned to form a Cabinet, prevented the meeting from adopting a proposal forbidding any Leftist accepting the Premiership from Millerand.

By a unanimous vote the plenary meeting of the Left bloc, attended by all sympathetic parties, endorsed the Radical-Socialist motion adopting M. Painleve as candidate for the presidency on the proposal of M. Herriot. The resolution also expressed unconditional confidence in M. Herriot. Meanwhile the Socialist Party Congress, also a Republican Socialist and Independent Socialist deputies meeting presided over by ex-Premier Painleve were uncompromising in their attitude. The former is instructing parliamentary representatives to fight any government formed under Millerand's aegis and the latter declared that the least collaboration with Millerand is inconceivable.

ECONOMIES IN THE BUDGET.

Prior to Poincaré's resignation, becoming effective the Council of State ratified Decree Laws which were forced through the last Parliament in the teeth of strong opposition. These reduce departmental expenses by 400 million francs. Millerand subsequently counter-signed the ratification.

LATER, The Poincaré Cabinet has resigned.

WHAT HERIOT WILL DO.
In a speech M. Herriot declared that if he did not secure the support he asked from the Socialists he would not consent to assume office. He anticipated external difficulties but not so many as suggested for democratic Europe had confidence in him. The aim of his government would be European peace and he would take all measures to maintain the equilibrium of the Budget and even have recourse to the courts if needed to put an end to certain manœuvres.—Reuter.

LATER, According to the latest reports 18 are dead, 16 of which are aged between 5 and 15.—Reuter.

DAVIS CUP TENNIS.

EUROPEAN COMPETITION'S PROGRESS.

INDIA DEFEATS HOLLAND.

LONDON, June 1.
At Arnhem in the Davis Cup tennis India beat Holland by four matches to one.

Jacob (India) beat Timmer (Holland) 3-6, 8-6, 6-3, 2-6, 6-1.

Sleem (India) beat Van Lennep (Holland) 6-2, 6-3, 7-5.

It was Jacob's steadiness which won him the keen match as Timmer invariably started a set well but Sleem, who was as steady as a rock, was altogether too much for Lennep, returning every ball despite Lennep's hardest drives.—Reuter.

LONDON, May 31.
At Arnhem, in the Davis Cup Doubles, Van Lennep and Timmer (Holland) beat Jacob and Hadi (India) 6-4, 4-6, 3-6, 6-2, 6-4.

It was a thrilling struggle. The Dutchmen were brilliant but somewhat erratic. They were leading by 4-1 in the second set, when India won the next seven games successively. The Dutchmen recovered brilliantly in the fourth set, but the deciding set was a desperate struggle, the sides dividing the first eight games equally. Then the Dutchmen produced another flash of brilliance and took the next two games and the match.

Britain v. Spain.

At Edgbaston in the second round of the Davis Cup, J. D. P. Wheatley (Britain) beat E. Flaqueur (Spain) 6-3, 4-6, 8-6, 6-1, and M. Alonso (Spain) beat J. B. Gilbert (Britain) 6-2, 9-7, 3-6, 4-6, 6-4.

France v. Ireland.

At Dublin in the Davis Cup, Coutieus (France) beat E. D. McCrea (Ireland) 6-3, 6-6, 3-6, 6-7, 5-7, and R. Lacoste (France) beat Dillon (Ireland) 6-1, 6-2, 6-2.—Reuter.

A BIG LOAD!

London, June 1.
The largest consignment of bullion ever landed in England was unloaded from the "Leviathan" at Southampton. It comprised fifty-one tons of silver bars, consigned from America to six leading London banks.—Reuter.

HOME CRICKET.

SOUTH AFRICANS "A LEG UP."

London, June 1.

The South Africans played Scotland at Glasgow before 2,500 spectators on a soft wicket. Scotland compiled 33, Meintjes taking 4 wickets for 19 runs, Dixon 4 for 4 and Nupen 2 for 2.

This is the lowest total ever made against Africa. The South Africans obtained 204 for 8 wickets, Cotterall and Commaillie scoring 72 and 62 respectively.—Reuter.

SOVIET EMBASSIES STATUS.

TROTSKY RE-ELECTED ON CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

LONDON, June 1.
The British Legation at Lisbon and the Portuguese Legation at London have elevated the status of the embassies from Moscow.

Trotsky is among the re-elected members of the Central Committee at the Communist Party Congress. Radek was not re-elected.—Reuter.

"HONGKONG'S" LURE.

POPULAR CHINESE DINNERS.

London, June 1.

The Hongkong exhibit at Wembley is thronged daily by thousands of visitors attracted by the Hongkong street, with its open shops and native workers surrounded continuously by large crowds of Chinese. The restaurant is insufficient to hold the crowds of would-be diners.—Reuter.

THE IRISH BOUNDARY.

London, May 31.

There was an important three-hour conversation on the Irish boundary dispute at Chequers this evening between Sir J. Craig, Mr. Cosgrave, and Mr. Macdonald. Hitherto no official statement has been issued.—Reuter.

London, June 1.

President Cosgrave is reported as declaring that after the Chequers conference the position has not been advanced a single step.—Reuter.

CHANCELLOR SHOT.

ATTEMPTED ASSASSINATION AT VIENNA.

VIENNA, June 1.

Chancellor Seppel has been shot and seriously but not fatally wounded. His would-be assassin was also shot and sustained serious injuries during this arrest.—Reuter.

Chancellor Seppel was returning from Wienern Eustadt and had just alighted at the station when the man, who had travelled in the same train, made the attack. A shot penetrated the lung, inflicting a serious wound but it is not thought that it will prove fatal. His assailant turned the weapon on himself when about to be arrested. He refused to disclose his identity. The Chancellor was immediately taken to hospital.—Reuter.

ASSAILANT IDENTIFIED.

LATER.

The Chancellor was wounded twice, the first being a slight wound and the second more serious. His assailant has been identified as a weaver named Jaworek of Pottendorf near Wienern Eustadt.—Reuter.

A POLITICAL CRIME.

According to Reuter's Vienna correspondent Seppel was leaving the station to enter a motor-car when a young man approached and fired three revolver shots. The Chancellor fell to the ground unconscious. His assailant shot himself in the head and his condition is desperate. An operation was subsequently performed on the Chancellor whose life the doctors hope to save. The Chief of Police has made a statement that the crime is a political one. The Chancellor's assailant is a railway worker—a supposed Communist.—Reuter.

GIRLS' SCHOOL ABLAZE.

MATRON AND GIRLS KILLED.

OTHERS SAVED BY JUMPING.

LOS ANGELES, June 1.
Five girls and the matron of Hope Development school for sub-normal girls at Plaza del Rey were killed in a fire which destroyed the building. Three girls are missing and 19 injured, the latter having jumped from a great height and were conveyed to hospital.—Reuter.

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BANK HOLIDAY.

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Hongkong, 29th May, 1924.

NOTICE.

On and after the 1st June the offices of the Asiatic Petroleum Co., (S.C.) Ltd. will be in "Asiatic Building," Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, May 28, 1924.

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Hongkong, 29th May, 1924.

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THE HALF YEARLY GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS will be held on SATURDAY 7th June 1924 at 12.30 p.m. in the Jockey Club Rooms, Hongkong Club Annex. Hongkong, 24th May, 1924.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FOURTH EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on SATURDAY, 7th and MONDAY, 9th June commencing at 3.30 p.m. each day. The first bell will be rung at 3 p.m.

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The Stewards invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1924.

NOTICE.

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HONGKONG MONDAY, June 2, 1924.

COLOMBOBOIS.

We do not pretend to know what governs the appointment to certain Government posts—whether they are based on seniority of service; ability; influence; preference of those in high-quarters—or what. In certain directions a settled rule seems to apply. We use the word seems with a certain amount of diffidence. For instance it does not seem to have been necessary to go beyond the bounds of the ranks of the local Civil Service for our Captain Superintendent of Police and our Director of Education.

super-officials all hail from one place—Colombo. Doubtless what is Colombo's loss (or gain) will be Hongkong's gain (or loss). This infusion of new blood is probably all for the good of Hongkong. If there is any feelings in the matter on the part of present incumbents of office, we ask them to bear up. Perhaps—who knows?—they may some day be transferred to Colombo.

Bathing and Pirates.

The fear of piracy heightened by a recent fiery episode, is still with peace-loving Chinese, and we understand is having its effect on the number of bathing excursions, for Chinese do not care to make fairly long excursions with the fear of attack always in mind. It has been suggested that some plan of action be formulated of a cooperative nature. Bathing is a feature of summer existence in Hongkong and should not be curtailed. It is suggested that there should be a "clearing house," where Clubs and others might make known their Sunday excursions, with a view to co-operating in the matter of safety, and if possible, that where, say, two parties are going to the same place, they arrange each to convoy the other—starting at the same time—and leaving at the same time—keeping each other in view on the outward and return journey. It may seem to some a panic-stricken idea, but it is pointed out that the ways of pirates are past all knowing, and that being the case, no opportunity should be neglected to circumvent them. Owners of steam launches are guarding their own interests by refusing to hire out their boats to strangers.

A b o t t .

Some have prefixed a perfectly good name with another called "Dove-devil." Certainly, if getting an old aeroplane and overhauling it and getting it up again is anything to go by, "Dove-devil" is probably a correct description. But perhaps a better one than that is warranted in the circumstances—something having to do with determination and courage. Mr. Abbott certainly provided Saturday's sensation and if consequences are what they should be, letters of apology should be pouring in on him—for it is no secret that in certain quarters his abilities and that of his machine were called in question. However the public conscience is elusive, whilst public memory is weak. It seems likely that an exhibition will take place at Happy Valley and all will hope for its success. But we will hope that it might be held in some wider area than the Valley. We perhaps think unduly of the first attempt that was made there, Mr. Abbott, being more expert than we pretend to be, will know better; but he has justified himself to such an extent that he should be backed up by an influential working Committee who will organise an exhibition on sound and safe lines: What is the matter with a special "flying" holiday in connection with an exhibition to take place at Shatin? We leave it at that for the moment.

The reason given by SORRY, a miner for thrashing his wife was that he disliked the pink blouse she was wearing. She was in the pink but he was in the blues.

Of twenty-five dinosaur's eggs found in the Gobi desert, several have been sold for over £1,000 each, and an expenditure has started to look for more. We are unable to state if any of our local Brokers are of the party.

The defendant in a recent case at Bloomsbury complained that his mother-in-law wrote poetry. Probably without rhyme or reason.

A famous pianist recently had to abandon a recital because he hurt one of his fingers.

The man who said it was a mere digital has been killed.

It is suggested that some of our statutes should be taken down and washed. The idea leaves us stone cold.

An American Professor is to fire a rocket which he hopes will reach the moon. We have known of people shooting the moon without this device.

"Thirteen" proved LUCKY to be a very lucky THIRTEEN number at a whist drive organised by the Selby branch of the Union of Postal Workers in aid of the local hospital. A novelty prize consisted of a sitting of sizes from prize birds for the player sitting the longest at any table.

The winner was Mrs. Eleanor Pearce, Lynton Cottage, Bondgate, Selby, and she sat at the same table in the last 13 hands of the drive.

The table was No. 13.

The prize was the 13th.

There were 13 eggs in the sitting.

It was the winner's 13th whilst drive.

Her name has 13 letters.

So has the name of her house.

Her street number is 13.

Street and town together have 13 letters.

Naturally enough,

A the late Lionel

COMPOSER'S

Monckton's house-

HOBBIES.

hold effects are

rich in operatic

scores and theatrical souvenirs. But

he had many other tastes. As a

bookman Monckton was devoted to

Stevenson, and also collected things

like Dr. Syntax, A'Beckett's

"Punch," bohemian journals, such

as "The Mask," and the entertain-

ing illustrations of Leech, Row-

landson, &c. He was a sound

judge of Chinese porcelain, and

had some excellent specimens of

the Kien Lung, the Khang-hai, and

Min periods.

The very latest

MOUTHS IN

fashion in novels

is a big mouth for

herbines. In Miss

May Sinclair's "A Cure of Souls"

we read: "She had a small,

tenderly inquisitive face, with a thin,

waving mouth, a thought too

wide for it." The heroine of Mrs.

Belle Lowndes's exciting story,

"The Terriford Mystery," has a

mouth "too large for beauty."

Mr. W. Maxwell follows the fashion,

for says of Evelyn Glover, in

"The Day's Journey," "Her mouth,

although too large" All

is a natural reaction against

eyes and lips which have been

overdone. But it is time feminine

ears were worn again in fiction,

for though hidden in real life they

are a great index to character.

Our Portuguese friends may not like this. It is from a London paper:

Portuguese aviators

TOMBSTONE

ISLAND.

less ambitious than our

own, are essaying

merely to fly from Lisbon to

Macao, the utmost limit of their

country's Empire. The little

Chinese island has belonged to

Portugal for over four centuries,

but has always been so largely

populated by Chinese that much of

its area is covered with the tombs

of its ancestors, and to avoid

landing on some of them may be

work of difficulty to the pilots of

the present expedition.

Things were

A 1646

FOOTBALL

for Cup Final

CROWD.

enthusiasts in

the Wembley

Stadium. Last year's fiasco, how-

ever, was not a novelty in the

history of football; for we read in

the 1646 diary of one Adam Eyre,

a Roundhead warrior: "Went to

Bordhill to see a match played at

the football between Peniston and

Thurlston, but the crowd hindered

the sports so that nothing was

done."

The following, from a

FISHY? London paper, may

or may not be true.

It has a fishy smell about it:

An Hongkong paper produced a

curious reply from a Chinaman.

As a humorous specimen of

Chinese-English, the advertiser

sent it to a friend of his ("H.C.P.",

or H.C.P. for short).

I am

It is for my personal benefit

that I write for a position in your

honourable firm.

I have a flexible brain that will

adapt itself to your business, and

in consequence bring good efforts

to your honourable selves.

My education was impressed

upon me in the Peking University,

in which place I graduated Number

One. I can drive a typewriter

with good noise, and my English

is great.

"My references are of the good,

and should you hope to see me

they will be read by you with

great pleasure."

My last job has left from me,

for the good reason that the large

man is dead. It was on account of

no fault of mine.

"So, Honourable Sirs, what

about it?

"If I can be of use to you, I will

arrive on some date that you should

guess."

She had struggled hard to

save the money and at last

she succeeded.

"THE POOR" Among the letters

recently received

by the Chancellor of the

Exchequer was one from a poor

widow enclosing 1s.

CHINA SUGARS.

THEIR UPWARD TENDENCY.

One denomination of stock which is causing considerable stir on the share market is the China Sugar Refinery scrip, "Non-Speculator," writing to the *China Mail* on Friday last says:

"From present indications a boom in China Sugars is promised in the shares, having jumped 20 points in the last ten days. I understand that a syndicate, headed by an official of one of the Chinese Banks, is making a corner in these shares."

The *China Mail* is not concerned with the speculative—by this is meant the conjecture—part of the business. A few self-evident facts are recounted for the general public.

On May 20, China Sugars were quoted by one of the exchanges at \$210 sellers and it was then rumoured that business had been done at \$205. Today's quotation of the same association is \$241. All along there does not seem to have been any appreciable turnover in cash transactions, a remarkable discrepancy in buyer and seller quotations giving the impression of few shares being available.

However, the point we wish to make is that there is little in the sugar market barometer to explain the intricacies to an outsider. Hongkong agents of Java sugar merchants are accepting, or rather, canvassing orders, for a grade known as No. 24, rough white for delivery in July at \$2 per picul (133.1/3 lbs.) below official quotations for "spot" sales. To a layman this can only convey the impression that sugar merchants expect the new crop which generally reaches in Hongkong in June or July each year will be fairly plentiful, or in other words, there will be no hot demand for sugar.

True it may be argued that this grade of sugar has no bearing on the "China Sugar" product. Nevertheless it is still agreed that in "No. 18 rough brown," the grade which local refineries are said to buy in large quantities for making their products, there has been no appreciable rise to justify the recent jump in the value of shares.

It must also be stated that

rumours are in the air regarding projected or completed property transactions which will justify the difference indicated by the appreciation of 30 points in a fortnight.

ANOTHER SCRAP.

BORDER FIGHTING.

On Friday last the pro-Chan and pro-Sun troops close to the New Territories border had another scrap. This time they were a good distance from the boundary. Also it must be stated that the description of guerilla warfare would be an exaggeration as small detachments only made spasmodic efforts here and there and quickly ceased fire as soon as it was realised that the objective would not be gained and there was a chance of some of the troops being hit by random shots.

It is gathered that the pro-Sun detachment of Honan troops under General Fan Chung-san are on their way to Sanchun (the railway terminus across the railway bridge) which they will make into a base for the right wing of Dr. Sun's projected offensive on the Chan Kwing-ming strongholds behind the East River and extending to Swatow. Hitherto small batches of Chan's soldiers have made raids on the railway, a sortie on May 1 meeting with success but later ones being repulsed. These hill-fighters are said to have felt that with the coming of the well-trained and well-equipped Honanese army there would be little chance of further raids so they decided to make a final effort on Friday at sunrise. The pro-Sun irregulars on the spot managed to hold their positions and the attackers gave up after firing intermittently for a few hours.

The entraining of the Honanese men for the front means that some real fighting is due shortly on that part of the border between the main line of the railway and Shih Tau Kok as the Honanese are expected to advance in that direction. Latest reports state that the main troops is at Ping Wu (the native village of the late Mr. Lau Chu-pak, 40 miles from Sanchun) and the vanguard is already at Sanchun.

One fact is worth mentioning in that it is peculiar to reports of Chinese military. The Honanese are well-disciplined and have never been unfavourably mentioned as bivouacking in villages and forcibly taking stores and food. Everywhere that they have passed so far they did not fraternise with the civil population and were orderly to the extreme. This is all the more remarkable as the army is said to comprise, mainly, ex-bandits from the North who were pardoned and then recruited.

WASTING MONEY.

GOVERNMENT BUILDING DELAY.

Attention having been drawn by correspondents to the peculiar conditions prevailing in the erection of the building for the new fire headquarters and other Government departments, the "China Mail" sought the assistance of a well-known architect this morning and in the course of his interesting remarks he made some rather unique observations from the public's point of view.

He surmised that the steel work came out from Home to be erected here under the supervision of the Public Works Department. In his opinion, if the work was a piece of private enterprise it would have doveltailed better. By this he meant that there would have been little or no interval between the completion of putting up the steel skeleton and the filling in of the reinforced concrete. If that is so, then we should indeed be grateful that there exists such a place as Colombo and that it is able to supply us with such able, far-sighted and wonderful men. What I hope, seriously, will be done, is that all our present Government servants—excepting the D. P. D. will be pensioned off—better still, because cheapest—sacked, and Colombo asked to send along all their men. Please pack me up. Yours, etc.

MONEY SAVER.

Hongkong, June 1, 1924.

THE CAPTIONED MISSIONARIES.

RELEASE AND RANSOM.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Wuchow, May 30. The Motor Launch Roanoke which was seized by pirates above Chuping on the Fu river returned this afternoon to Wuchow, having on board the Rev. R. A. Jaffray of the Alliance Mission and Dr.

Milner. The boat was in very bad condition having been pulled about by the pirates in their endeavour to find hidden money. They had also set her kitchen on fire. The Rev. gentleman had been stripped of everything excepting the clothes they stood up in and with the exception that they looked tired and badly wanted bath they seemed to all right.

The Rev. Mr. Carne and Rev. Mr. Rex Reay are still held for ransom by the pirates. One of the latter gentlemen is a British subject and the other a citizen of the U.S.A.

Mr. Chamberlain of the United States Consulate, Shameen, and Mr. Grove of the British Consulate, Wuchow, are stirring up the authorities in Wuchow to try and effect the release of the captives, and all the foreign missionaries are working to the same end.

The amount of ransom is said to be fixed at about \$200,000 ammunition, and other incidentals, necessary to pirates.

COLOMBO NOTES.

(Not from our own correspondent.)

April 1. I have referred before to the unsettled condition of things which characterises our Civil Service. It reminds me of the story of the clergyman who was offered another appointment. His little boy was asked if his father was going to accept the offer of the new living. "Well," he said, "Father's praying and mother's packing, so you can bet your boots we're going."

It is something like that with our Civil Servants. So many have gone to Hongkong and so many hope to go that we don't quite know where we are. Private advice from Reggie and Harold point your fragrant harbour place as such a delightful abode—the pay and the people all that could be desired—that longing has proved quite unsettling. Three officials have been added to your list and it is quite on the carpet that your next Colonial Secretary will come from a place where as the hymnalist has it—*"Every prospect pleases."*

It is assumed that the Civil Service prospect is what is in that particular writer's mind.

More anon.

COAL STEALING.

An interesting case concerning an early hour expedition by the police against coal-stealers in the harbour was heard at the Marine Court by Lieut. Commander Conway Hake, R.N.R., the Marine Magistrate.

Two masters of fishing boats were charged with not having the required permit and depositing substance in the waters of the Colony without the permission of the Harbour Master this morning.

Defective Lance Sergeant

Whelan gave evidence that he chased three boats and saw

defendants throw coal overboard.

Defendants finally upset their boats but the officers raised the craft and brought them back to custody.

The men were fined \$5 each on

each charge.

RUHR STRIKE OFF.

Cologne, June 1.—The Ruhr miners' dispute has been settled. The men are to receive a 15 per cent. increase in wages and work an extra hour until September.

Reuter.

CORRESPONDENCE.

WASTING MONEY.

EXTENSION LECTURES.

The following appears in St. John's Cathedral Notes for June. The "local newspaper" referred to is the *China Mail*. We understand the matter of University Extension Lectures will go a step further by the offer of a local body to shoulder the burden of organization:

[To the Editor of Cathedral Notes.]

Hongkong, May 8, 1924.

Dear Sir,—The Rev. R. R. Churchill, R.N., in a recent sermon at St. John's, advocated courses of University Extension Lectures. In an interview accorded to the representative of a local newspaper the Vice-Chancellor of the University pointed out that if such a scheme was inaugurated, a central lecture hall would be required, and some body to undertake the necessary organization. Occasional lectures have already been given on board H.M.S. "Tamar," and last winter various papers were read under the auspices of the C.E.M.S. Might I suggest, Sir, that the Church of England Men's Society at the Cathedral should make itself responsible for the necessary arrangement, if a demand exists for a course of University Extension Lectures, and that the lectures should be held in the Cathedral Hall?

There are apparently no learned societies in Hongkong, but it would be wrong to infer that there is a paucity of intellect and no desire for cultural improvement.

I venture to think that suitable lectures would be greatly appreciated.

Yours, etc.,

—T. B. P.

JAPAN'S PROTEST.

Washington, May 31. The Japanese Ambassador Mr. Hanihara has delivered the Japanese protest against the exclusion clause of the new United States Immigration Law to Mr. Chas. E. Hughes, Secretary of State.

The Japanese protest is coupled with a request to the American Government to take all possible steps for the removal of discriminatory measures. The Note declares that international discriminations are particularly unwelcome when based on race, and the history of commercial agreements between the two countries shows that the Japanese Government sought to protect its nationals from discriminatory immigration legislation by the United States, which position is fully understood and appreciated by the American Government.

Citing the Japanese-American treaty of 1911 the Japanese note points out that the new legislation is in entire disregard of the spirit and circumstances underlying the treaty. It concludes with a hope that the communication will be received in the same spirit of friendliness and candour as it is made.—Reuter's American Service.

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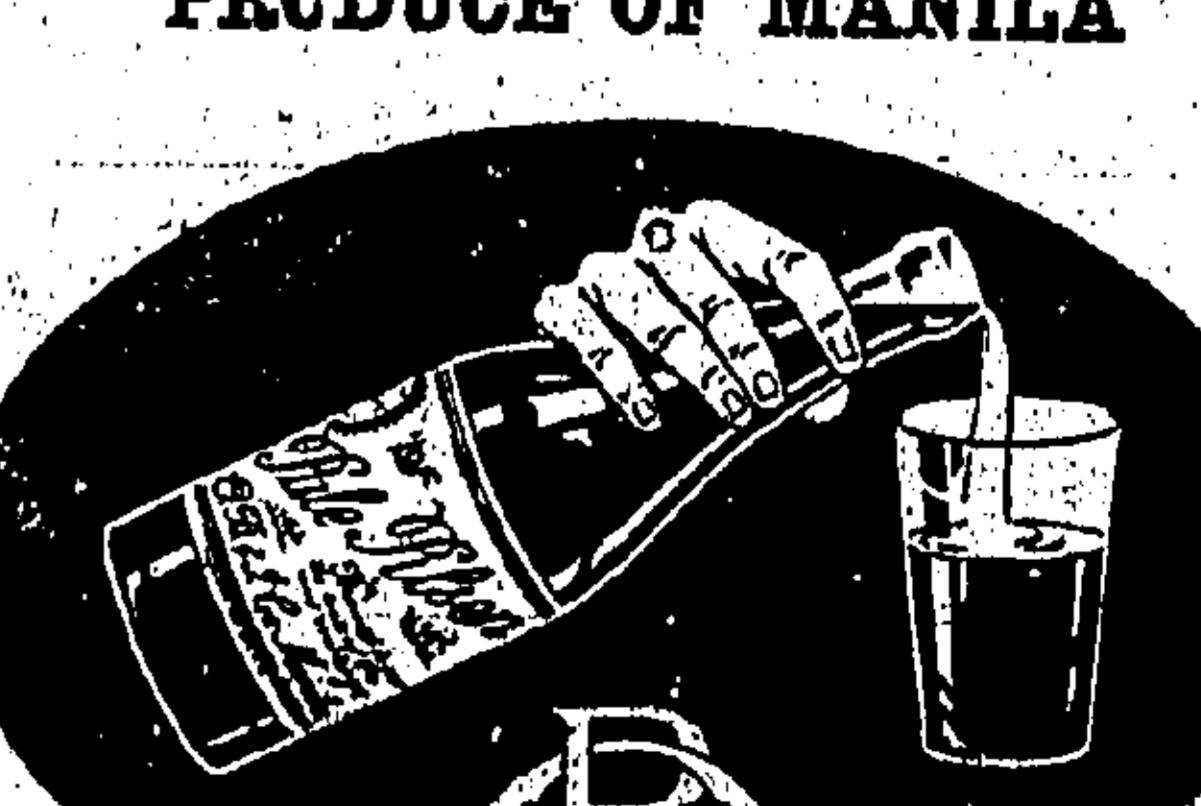
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"MALWA"	10,941	26th July	Manchukuo, London & Antwerp
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"SICILIA"	8,813	22nd Aug.	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & Bay
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"SARDINIA"	6,854	4th Sept.	Manchukuo, London & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	8,118	6th Sept.	Manchukuo, London & Antwerp
"KAISAR-I-HIND"	11,430	20th Sept.	Manchukuo, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	8,967	4th Oct.	Manchukuo, London & Antwerp
"MORIA"	10,941	10th Oct.	Manchukuo, London & Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	8,440	1st Nov.	Manchukuo, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	15th Nov.	Manchukuo, London & Antwerp
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"MANTUA"	10,942	1st Dec.	Manchukuo, London & Antwerp

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"ARAFURA"	8,100	2nd July	Manila, Sardakao, Thursday
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"JAPAN"	6,052	15th June	Moji and Kobe
"TANDA"	6,956	25th June	Moji and Kobe
"MALWA"	10,941	27th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	27th July	Moji and Kobe
"DEVANHA"	6,052	11th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TAKADA"	5,649	21st July	Moji and Kobe
"MANTUA"	10,902	29th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"SICILIA"	6,813	26th July	Shanghai
"NAGOYA"	4,104	1st Aug.	Moji and Kobe
"EASTERN"	4,104	1st Aug.	Moji and Kobe
"SARDINIA"	6,854	8th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KALYAN"	8,118	8th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KAISAR-I-HIND"	11,430	29th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHMIR"	8,967	9th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MORIA"	10,911	13th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	8,840	3rd Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"ST. ALBANS"	4,100	4th Oct.	Moji and Kobe
"DEVANHA"	10,941	18th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MANTUA"	8,098	1st Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KARMALA"	8,098	1st Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"EASTERN"	4,000	1st Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MANTUA"	10,902	15th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KRIWA"	8,057	28th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"ARAFURA"	6,000	6th Dec.	Moji and Kobe
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defeated Peterson & Hung	8-3
Worthington and Chippen-dale lost to Forster and Hett	3-8
Hett	8-3
defeated Yue and Wong	8-3
defeated Peterson & Hung	10-1
Henslowe and Allfree lost to Forster and Hett	2-9
defeated Yue and Wong	7-4
defeated Peterson & Hung	6-5
Total	62-37

C.R.C. v. K.C.C.

Green and Lay defeated Ho and Ho	8-3
defeated Lau and Lau	9-2
defeated Wong and Lau	7-4
Krebs and Tramitzky defeated Ho and Ho	6-5
lost to Lau and Lau	5-6
lost Wong and Lau	5-6
Hyde and Fincher lost to Ho and Ho	5-6
defeated Lau and Lau	6-5
defeated Wong and Lau	6-5
Total	57-42

2ND DIVISION.

CLUB DE REC. v. C.C.C. (B)

Noronha and Assumpcao defeated Abbasy and Hyder	10-1
defeated Modi and Cordeiro	8-3
defeated Thomson and Gomes	7-4
Soares and Osmund beat Abbasy and Hyder	8-3
defeated Modillan Cordeiro	7-4
defeated Thomson and Gomes	9-2
Hyndman and Barros defeated Abbasy and Hyder	7-4
defeated Modi and Cordeiro	5-6
defeated Thompson and Gomes	10-1
Total	71-28

K.C.C. (A) v. K.C.C. (B)

Jones and Green lost to Dryden and Bishop	3-8
defeated Brown and Savage	6-5
lost to Woodward and De Quivercourt	4-7
Pinguet and Oliver lost to Dryden and Bishop	5-6
defeated Woodward and De Quivercourt	6-5
defeated Brown and Savage	8-3
Ramsey and Mason defeated Woodward and De Quivercourt	7-4
defeated Brown and Savage	10-1
defeated Dryden and Bishop	6-5
Total	55-44

C.R.C. (A) v. I.R.C. (B)

Yew and Yew defeated A. and N. B. Kitchell	8-3
defeated Hamid and Arculli	8-3
defeated Mohammed and Cassumbhay	6-5
(defeated) Leung and Chan A. and N. B. Kitchell	9-2
defeated Hamid and Arculli	7-4
defeated Mohammed and Cassumbhay	9-2
Kowk and Lau defeated A. and N. B. Kitchell	8-3
defeated Hamid and Arculli	8-3
defeated Mohammed and Cassumbhay	6-5
Total	69-30

C.S.C.C. II. v. N.T.C.

Best and Cillow defeated Spoltenius and de Lous	6-5
defeated Groot and Staagard	7-4
lost to Egmont and Bonnerman	5-6
Hollidge and Wood lost to Egmont and Bonnerman	4-7
lost to Soltenius and de Lous	5-6
Shepherd and Lush defeated Egmont and Bonnerman	6-5
defeated Groot and Staagard	7-4
defeated Noltenius and de Lous	7-4
Total	50-49

ROXOR
ADVERTISING AND BILLBOARDGOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.
AMATEUR TOURNAMENT FINAL.

LONDON, May 31. The Amateur Golf Championship final at St. Andrews was won by E. Holderness of Walton Heath, the 1922 champion, who beat E. Storey, the Cambridge University Captain, by 3 up and 2 to play.

The weather was bleak. A sensational start was made, Storey holing out a fifteen yard putt. He turned three up and was four up at the eleventh where Holderness missed a yard putt. Then Storey had a bad patch of faulty driving. Holderness improved and finished the morning round one down. Storey, in the afternoon, began badly and went from bunker to bunker. Holderness squared the match at the second and halved the third, Holderness taking the lead at the fourth for the first time. The fifth and sixth were halved and Holderness won the seventh with a beautiful approach in three. He was bunkered but halved the ninth, and turned one up. Storey squared the match at the eleventh and Holderness won the twelfth. He was bunkered but halved the thirteenth and won the fourteenth. He halved the fifteenth. Storey in the sixteenth pulled his drive amongst the spectators and Holderness running up to within ten feet of the pin won the hole and the match. —Reuter.

"Pros" 1,000 Guineas Tournament.

LONDON, May 31. At Leeds, the Thousand Guineas Professional golf tournament final was won by Fred Robson, of Cooden Beach, who beat A. Compston, North Manchester, at the fortieth hole. —Reuter.

THE WANCHAI MONUMENT.

NAVAL MEN'S ACTION.

Late on Friday night, some eighteen British and United States bluejackets arrived to clear the site of the monument, at Happy Valley and otherwise repair the deplorable state of neglect into which the memorial had been allowed to fall for many years past.

Working with a will, the sailors plied picks and shovels in clearing away the stones and rubbish that littered the monument. Big blocks of wood that had been dumped against it were also removed.

The next proceeding was to wash down the monument itself with water. The whole work was completed by about 12.30 on Saturday morning, having taken upwards of an hour.

SHANGHAI SENSATIONS.

PRISON CONDITIONS QUESTIONED.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, May 30. Mr. P. W. Goldring, solicitor for Oscar Mathias, has been called upon in the Mixed Court to retract statements regarding his client's alleged ill-treatment while detained in custody in connection with civil proceedings. Mr. Goldring complained that his client was confined in conditions little short of torture and that he might go out of his mind shortly if detained in such quarters. Mr. E. T. Maitland, police prosecutor, described the statements as wild, irresponsible, and untrue, tending to bring the model settlement into disrepute. The bench undertook to visit the cell and adjourned the case.

J. S. GILLINGHAM, Chief Constructor.

Hongkong, 2nd June, 1924.

GOVERNMENT HOUSES.

London, May 31.

Official details of the Government's housing scheme show that it is to build 2,500,000 houses in fifteen years. The contributions by the State and Local Authorities would total £1,376,000,000 spread over fifty years, the State's share being £926,000,000. Ninety thousand houses would be built in the coming year, rising to 226,000 yearly in 1934. —Reuter.

THE "DEATH RAY."

RIGHTS BELONG TO ENGLISH.

London, June 1.

A message from Paris says it has been decided by Grindell Matthews to transfer his death ray rights to an English company with a capital of £250,000, where with tests will be carried out on a large scale. —Reuter.

OLYMPIC GAMES.

MORE "SOCCER" RESULTS.

Paris, June 1. In the third round of the Olympic Games, Association football, Sweden beat Egypt by 5 goals to nil and Uruguay beat France 5-1.

WORLD FLYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

New York, May 31. In a match on the World's Flyweight Championship, Pancho Villa, the holder, decisively out pointed, Frankie Ash.

Villa frantically tried a knock out in the closing rounds. In the thirteenth it appeared he might succeed, but Ash pluckily survived, though several times staggering about. The Englishman often countered, but his blows carried no force. Villa was warned several times for using a backhand punch and hitting after the bell had sounded. There were ten thousand spectators.

Villa carried a relentless attack on Ash throughout the fifteen rounds, winning each easily. Villa weighed 112 lbs and Ash 110½ lbs. —Reuter's American Service.

ENGLISH MARATHON.

London, May 31.

McLeod Wright (Scotland) won the Polytechnic London to Windsor marathon in 2 hours, 53 minutes and 17.2/5 seconds. Ferris, of the Air Force, was second in 2 hours, 54 minutes and 8 seconds and Mills, of the Polytechnic third in 3 hours, 2 minutes, 46 seconds. Eighty started. The race was recognized as an official Olympic trial. —Reuter.

"PROS" 1,000 Guineas Tournament.

London, May 31.

At Leeds, the Thousand Guineas Professional golf tournament final was won by Fred Robson, of Cooden Beach, who beat A. Compston, North Manchester, at the fortieth hole. —Reuter.

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NOTICE.

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1. Not to stop their cars or

chairs to alight before reaching the steps in the front porch.

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Failure to comply with these requests will lead to considerable delay and inconvenience to other Guests.

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FAMINE APPEAL

APPEAL TO HONGKONG.

After the annual procession of the Blessed Virgin Mary at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at 5.30 p.m. on Saturday, as the congregation started to disperse the following Appeal was distributed to the faithful:

Famine in the Weichow Districts.

In the Weichow Districts under the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of the Vicar Apostolic of Hongkong, thousands of Christians are on the verge of starvation.

The constant typhoons of last year, the floods and the drought that followed have ruined the harvest. The last "reserves" of the poor peasants have also been robbed by the soldiery who constantly fight in these districts. In spite of the best efforts of the missionaries, who have worked for months to relieve the distress, all their resources have now been exhausted.

We now confidently appeal to the generosity of our congregation for donations, however small, to meet this more than pressing need. All donations will be gratefully acknowledged by the undersigned and remitted at once to the missionaries in charge.

The collections made in all Churches in the Colony on the next two Sundays will be applied for the relief of the famine sufferers.

"He who gives to the poor lends to God."

A. BANCHI,
Pro-Vicar Apostolic Delegate,
Mission House,
Hongkong, 30th May, 1924.

LAUDER'S VIEWS ON FINANCE.

[For Later Cables See Page 1.]

Talk drifted towards the political situation and the advent of a Labour Government.

"The Government's first duty must be to reduce taxation," said Sir Harry. "The burden is far too heavy. And we must get rid of the doles."

All this time Sir Harry was shuffling a great pile of letters. At length he selected one—the familiar buff-coloured envelope which brings our income tax papers. This he held up, remarking: "Guess what this is. Super-tax! Super-tax!"

Then, with a gesture of disgust, Sir Harry threw the envelope upon the floor and put his foot upon it. "Of course I'll have to pay it," he said, "but I'm not too pay it much longer. I could retire to-morrow and save all this."

Record Salary in London. After a few days fishing in Aberdeenshire, Sir Harry comes back to London, where he opens at the Victoria Palace—at a record salary.

"Tell my London friends that I've a big bunch of new songs for them," he said, "including 'I'm lookin' for a bonnie lass to love me,' which tells of the Scotsman who has made a bit of money and now wants a girl who will love him as his mother did. [The Boss o' the House, another, tells of a man who married a widow and had rather a bad time, until her death left him free to look round for a new partner who, however, must clearly understand that he is to be 'The Boss o' the House'."

"Then there is 'Oh, how I weary, dearie,' a little love song, a study of the Glasgow 'Muldoo' character of thirty years ago, and 'Memories o' Hame,' a new Scots song of which these are some of the lines:

Sing us a simple melody.

Sing us a simple tune.

Take us back to Bonnie Scotland, Where the bluebells are in bloom in June.

Sing us the songs we used to know.

When we were toddlin' round."

GOLF.

HAPPY VALLEY JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

The first round of the Happy Valley Junior Section Championship, the exception of two matches, was played off during the weekend. The following are the results:

J. Lalang beat P. Morrison, 4 and 3.
J. McCubbin won over.

R. Clark beat B. Petharam, 2 up.

F. E. Lawrence beat E. Moore, 2 up.

C. H. Beardall beat W. Pryde, 4 and 2.

J. H. Gelling beat D. J. Brown, 3 and 2.

W. Paterson and C. A. Grimes and W. H. Edmonds and W. McKay have still to play their matches.

BOXING.

CARPENTIER "BEATEN."

Michigan City, June 1.—Tom Gibbons beat Carpenter in a ten round no-decision bout before 30,000 spectators.

Carpenter repeatedly caught Gibbons on the jaw, with rights, but the American became more aggressive, hitting the "Frenchman to his corner, and landing at close quarters. Carpenter sank to the floor in the ninth round, indicating that he had injured his right ankle, but he struggled gamely to his feet and continued the contest although limping badly. Gibbons weighed 12st 9 lbs and Carpenter 12st 6 lbs.—*Reuter's American Service*.

The match went the full ten rounds. Gibbons was Carpenter's superior in every round, sometimes chasing him round the ring. The decision in favour of Gibbons was that of newspapermen at the ringside as the law in Michigan does not permit of a decision.

FRENCH POLITICS.

[For Later Cables See Page 1.]

PARIS, May 31.

M. Herriot has sent a letter to the Socialists' leader Leon Blum, urging the Socialists to collaborate with the Radical-Socialists in the new Government. He says the country clearly desires that the electoral union between the two parties should be transformed into a government partnership, with a view to far-reaching social reforms and building up peace abroad.

The Socialist Party Congress is opening to-morrow and will discuss the letter. The general opinion is that the socialists will reject participation in the Ministry, while making their support in debate condition on M. Herriot's refusing to accept the premiership from M. Millerand.—*Reuter*.

The executive committee of the Radical and Radical-Socialist parties drafting a programme for the future government heard a statement from M. Herriot, who, the newspapers say, insisted upon the resumption of relations with the Soviets, together with a conciliation international policy, in conformity with M. Herriot

would personally attend the September session of the League of Nations, where it is hoped he would meet Mr. Ramsay MacDonald.

The vexed question of the Presidency, however, is becoming more critical. The Radical-Socialist *Oeuvre* contradicts the reports that M. Herriot will form a Cabinet at the behest of M. Millerand; on the contrary, it states that he will only take office conditionally on the President resigning, or promising to resign as early as possible.—*Reuter*.

PORTUGUESE AVIATORS.

Simla, May 31.—The Portuguese airmen have reached Ambala.

Allahabad, May 31.—The Portuguese airmen have arrived from Ambala in a D. H. 9. They left Ambala at five thirty and arrived here at ten thirty this morning. It was a good journey, with a favourable breeze.—*Reuter*.

Allahabad, June 1.—The two Portuguese aviators left for Calcutta at 5.15 to-day.—*Reuter*.

Calcutta, June 1.—The Portuguese word flyers have arrived here.—*Reuter*.

[The Portuguese aviators started from Lahore on Saturday after a long delay due to their machine crashing.]

THE AMERICAN FLIGHT.

2,000 MILES FROM HONGKONG.

ANOTHER WEEK OR SO?

Tokyo, June 1.—The American planes left Kasumigaura at 6.07 a.m. this morning.

Kushimoto, June 1.—The American planes arrived at 10.32 a.m. this morning.

[The Americans are nearly at the end of the second section into which they have divided their flight. They are now about 2,000 miles from Hongkong and should be here in a week or ten days.]

FUNERAL OF THE HON. MR. A. R. LOWE.

COLONY'S TRIBUTE.

[By courtesy of the *Daily Bulletin*.]

The funeral of Mr. Lowe took place on Saturday evening, and the large attendance and the scores of wreaths sent afforded eloquent testimony to the esteem in which the deceased gentleman was generally held. The cortège was timed to pass the Monument at 5.30, but it was nearly half an hour later when the hearse came into view. Meanwhile a very large number of people had assembled.

As the hearse passed the Monument a procession was formed to the Cemetery. H. E. The Governor (Sir R. E. Stubbs, K.C.M.G.) walked immediately behind the coffin, followed by his Private Secretary (Mr. Gainsford St. Lawrence), the Hon. Sir Claud Severn, K.B.E. (Colonial Secretary), and Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz (Acting Chief Justice). The coffin was of polished oak, with silver plated fittings, and the interment took place in the old residents' section of the cemetery, the Rev. H. Copley Moyle, M.A., Senior Chaplain of St. John's Cathedral, officiating.

Among the large crowd gathered at the graveside, in addition to the chief mourners already mentioned, were noticed Commodore H. E. Grace, R.N., Colonel Russell Brown, R.E., D.S.O., Hon. Mr. C. Montague Ede, Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy (Director of Public Works), Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, Hon. Mr. Chan Sui Ki, Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Captain Superintendent of Police), Hon. Mr. D. W. Tratman (Colonial Treasurer), Mr. A. Dyer Ball (Puisey Judge), Mr. S. B. B. McElderry (Clerk of Councils), Mr. W. W. Hornell, C.I.E. (Vice-Chancellor of the Hongkong University), Mr. P. P. Wodehouse, C.I.E. (Deputy Superintendent of Police), Messrs. J. Fleming, A. Ritchie, A. J. Martin, T. A. Martin, H. S. Martin, E. D. da Roza and others (of the Staff of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews), Mr. J. Owen Hughes (Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce), Mr. J. Scott Harston, Father Robert, Mr. A. H. Barlow, Mr. A. H. Ferguson, Messrs. T. Arthur, E. W. Carpenter, H. S. Rouse, and Yeoman of Signals Franklin (representing the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club), Messrs. C. J. Tacchi and A. Hamilton (representing Lawn Bowls Association), Messrs. G. M. Young, N. S. Brown, C. C. Knight, F. A. Wells, J. McHutcheon, R. MacGregor, F. W. James, J. Reid, K. E. Greig, R. M. Dyer, E. L. Hosie, Andrew Forbes, G. C. Mackie, Eldon Potter, W. L. Patenden, P. Lauder, D. E. Clark, A. Brentley, H. B. L. Dovbiggin, R. Hancock, H. P. Wipslow, J. Hennessy Seth, C. Bernard Brown, H. R. Phelps, N. L. Smith, W. E. L. Shenton, D. V. Steavenson, Campbell Prosser, G. K. Hall Bruton, E. Davidson, C. A. Hooper, D. H. Blake, D. J. Lewis, H. Nisbet, R. E. A. Webster, G. Grimes, E. W. Hamilton, C. D. Melbourne, T. E. Pearce, Lieut.-Col. Robertson, M. M. Maas, W. E. Roberts, E. Humphreys, H. A. Lummett, Capt. B. Branch, Capt. R. H. Douglas, E. A. Ram, Dr. J. H. Sanders, F. C. Hall, J. A. Plummer, W. A. Dowley, R. T. Marsh, J. W. C. Bonnar, R. T. Matheson, P. C. Potts, J. F. Wright, T. W. Hornby, A. H. White, M. F. Kev, W. J. Hawker, M. Green, F. W. Gibbons, J. Robertson, P. M. Hodson, W. H. Mansfield, W. Sinclair, W. Armstrong, E. B. Reed, B. D. F. Both, J. P. Warren, Lieut.-Comdr. Conway Hake, Syme Thomson, C. Blaker, D. Gow, A. L. Shields, A. H. Hollingsworth, B. A. Hale, L. A. Blackburn, Middleton Smith, A. W. Tickle, T. M. Hazlerigg, Teesdale Mackintosh, Ho Kwong, A. S. Parsyth, D. Keith, G. T. May, and G. A. Musitano.

COUNTY CRICKET CHAMPIONSHIP.

POSITION AS AT MAY 31.

County	Played	Points obtained	Possible points	Percentage
Middlesex	5	23	25	92.00
Yorkshire	5	20	25	80.00
Surrey	5	19	25	76.00
Lancashire	5	17	25	68.00
Somerset	4	13	20	65.00
Sussex	5	16	25	64.00
Leicestershire	5	14	25	56.00
Kent	5	10	25	40.00
Worcestershire	4	8	20	40.00
Warwickshire	3	6	15	40.00
Nottinghamshire	4	7	20	35.00
Glamorganshire	0	0	0	0.00
Essex	5	13	20	32.50
Derbyshire	5	6	25	24.00
Gloucestershire	5	4	25	16.00
Hampshire	4	3	10	15.00
Northamptonshire	2	1	10	10.00

The following matches were abandoned:—Surrey v. Yorkshire, and North v. Warwickshire. The following matches were not completed in the 1st. innings:—Norfolk v. Warwickshire, and North v. Sussex. These matches are not included in the above table.

MR. WOODS' SUCCESSOR.

A DYING APPEAL.

[By courtesy of the *Daily Bulletin*.]

Tokyo, June 1. The *Nichi-Nichi* voice, the opposition to Dr. Schurman as the successor to Mr. Cyril Woods (American Ambassador at Tokyo) not on personal grounds, but because, judging by his actions and statements while in China, the paper is of the opinion that another choice would be better "to patch up the break in the friendly relations with America."

Tokyo, May 31. A letter addressed to the U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Cyril Woods, was found on the body of a man who committed "hara-kiri" this morning in the neighbourhood of the site of the American Embassy, reads as follows:

"I appeal to the people of the United States of America through Mr. Cyril Woods, who understands and sympathises with Japan," and the letter is signed "A nameless subject of the Mikado." The letter appeals

"Through death for a new Bill cancelling the exclusion clause, which has affronted Japan. I am a Japanese, and Japan has been humiliates by your country without justification. I would rather die than live to hate your people."

Tokyo, June 1. Yesterday's suicide, which has profoundly impressed the public, is being freely commented upon as a true reflection of the nation's sentiments, though the act itself may not be condemned nationally.

Mr. Okada, chief of the foreign section of the Metropolitan Police Bureau, interviewed, records his admiration for the act, which he declares bears no sign of insanity. He has instructed his subordinates to honour the remains in a manner similar to that of a battle hero. At present the remains have not been identified.

Steps are being taken by admirers to arrange for a national funeral.

BILLIARDS FINAL.

HO KOM TONG TOURNAMENT.

At the Palace Hotel, Kowloon on Saturday night, the final match in the competition for the Ho Kom-tong Cups was played, the contestants being Messrs. L. A. Osmund (Amateur Champion of Hongkong) and E. Spy.

The latter showed fine generalship, leaving the champion few opportunities of gaining effective control of his beloved red ball.

Osmund, on the other hand, was noticeably off-colour.

The best breaks were:

Osmund (lowers 325), 46, 45, 27,

26, 20, 18, 15 (twice), 14, 13 (twice).

Spy (lowers 125), 35, 22 (twice), 20, 16 (twice), 15, 14, 13 (twice).

At the conclusion of the game the cups were presented by Mr. B. S. Corke to the respective winners:

E. Spy 1

L. A. Osmund 2

F. E. Silva 3

In an effective little speech, Mr. Corke alluded to the good standard of play and excellent sportsmanship that had been witnessed throughout the competition, and made reference to the keenness of Mr. J. H. Oxberry in managing the tournament and umpiring the matches.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. David Wood and Mr. and Mrs. R. A. D. Forrest are passengers on the "Kivu" which left on Saturday.

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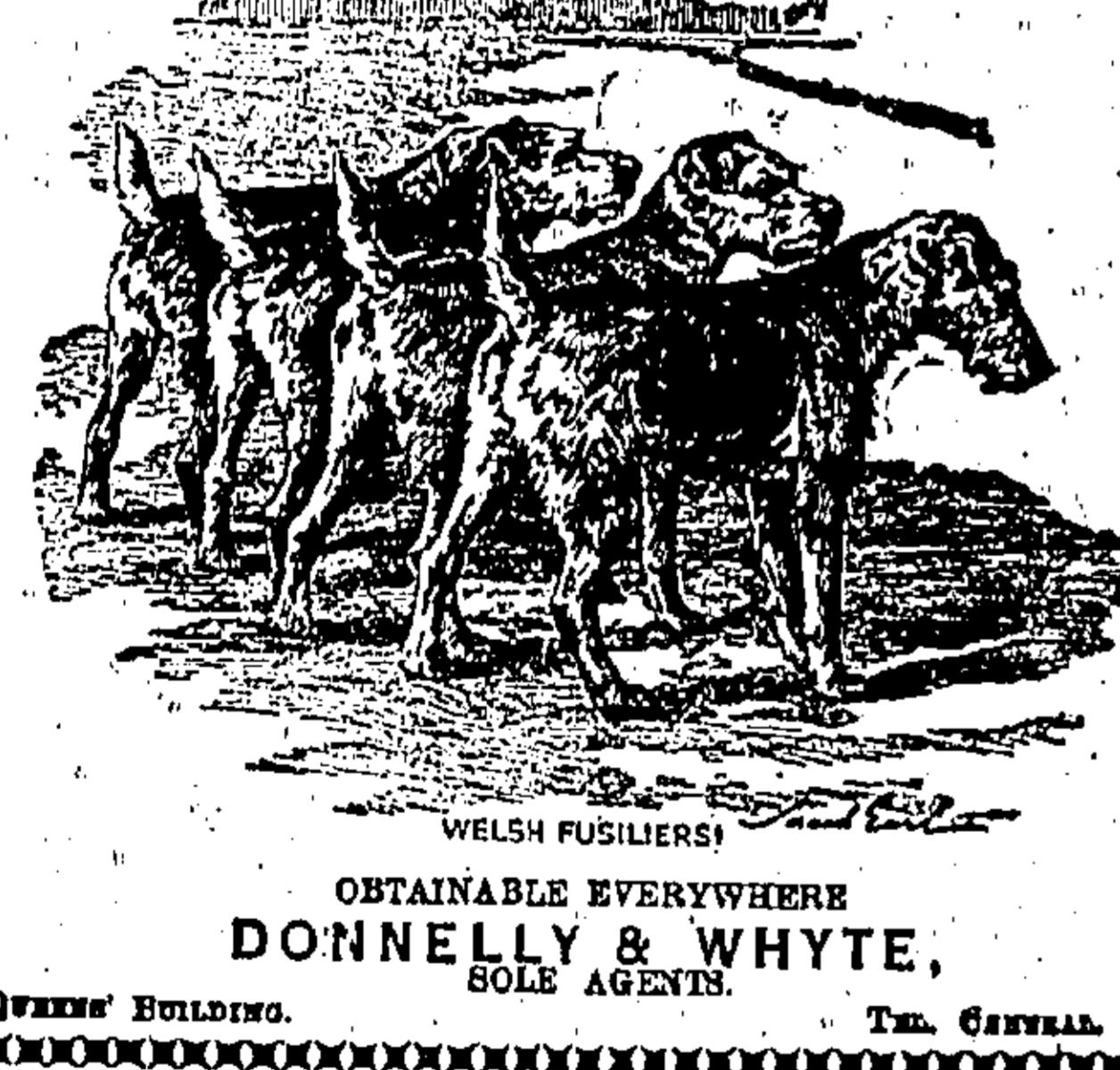


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